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Date: \* August 30, 2012

**Letter of Protest**  
**in Docket 2,014 - 177 - WS**

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**Protestant Information:**

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**1. What is your connection or interest in this case? \* For example, are you a customer of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)**

I am a Tega Cay customer

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**2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. \* (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)**

My water and sewer rates are already the highest I have experienced in the 3 states in which I have lived over the past 40 years as a homeowner. Since these protest forms will not be placed on the record all you are allowing the residents of Tega Cay to do is file paperwork that will ultimately be placed in a box that will be put down in a basement in a dark corner. So typical of Public Service agencies such as yours.

Since they were previously granted an increase to improve infrastructure in 2010 in the amount of 18%, this should have provided adequate funding to recoup their cost for repairs, etc. This company has had other rate increases in the past and that would have provided necessary revenues to repair and maintain the system. The company has neglected the system, the current proposed rate increases are exorbitant. The City of Tega Cay demographics reflect a high percentage of retirees and will be a great burden to those on fixed incomes.

**3. Do you wish to make an appearance at a hearing in this proceeding, if scheduled, and offer sworn testimony? \***

I will attend the hearing, but will not be testifying since such testimony at these Public Service hearings are a farce intended to make it look like the public actually has the power to get something done when we all know decisions have already been made in the back room!